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1. The following firms are grouped under the Industrieverwaltung Kunstfaser  
(Synthetic Fiber Administration):

Spinnstoffwerk Glauchau AG, Glauchau  
Sächsische Zellwolle AG, Flauen  
Firma Küttner, Pirna  
Vereinigte Glanzstoff-Fabriken AG, Elsterberg

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2. The Vereinigte Glanzstoff factory at Elsterberg employs 1,450 workers, 500 of whom are women. The factory has 56 spinning frames. The production target has been set at 150 tons per month, and this quota has been filled consistently since June 1947. The finished products are sent to hosiery factories for the manufacture of stockings. There are no difficulties regarding supplies of cellulose, but difficulties do arise in the provision of the necessary chemicals, especially carbon disulphide.
3. Perlon and nylon thread is manufactured by Thüringische Zellwolle AG, Schwarz, only, and not by any of the above-mentioned firms.
4. Kammarnspinnerei Stöhr & Co., AG, Leipzig-Markleeberg, Stöhrstrasse 32, employs 650 workers, including 400 women, working in two shifts. The other firms belonging to this company are situated at Elisabethallee 64. Forty tons of staple fibers are spun every month; this is the equivalent of 60 percent of pre-war production.
5. The Leipziger Baumwollspinnerei, Leipzig-Lindenau, Spinnereistrasse 7/9, processed 170 tons of cotton and synthetic products in March 1948, as against a target figure of 122 tons. Shortage of skilled workers is retarding the production of thread, for which the target is 500 kilograms per month.
6. The monthly output of the mills at Hohenfichte and Zschopau, and of the A. & M. Meister mill at Erdmannsdorf are 160, 175, and 90 tons, respectively.
7. Zellstoffwerk Gröditz/Crossenhain produces 2,068 tons of cellulose per month.

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8. The various textile mills at Forst, Brandenburg, had 913 weaving looms and 78,000 spindles in operation during April 1948. Over the period from 1 to 25 April, 355,000 square meters of cloth, 10,500 square meters of lining, and 288 tons of worsted yarn were manufactured.
9. The Werner Vogel Leinen- und Baumwollweberei at Bleicherode has supplied the SMA with the following materials every month since June 1947:
  - 70,000 square meters of sheeting
  - 52,460 square meters of muslin and underwear material
  - 40,000 square meters of towelling
  - 1,200 meters of bandages
10. The Pfau and Krahe hosiery factories have been transferred to Chemnitz with all their machines and stocks of raw materials. One of the Chemnitz/Durkhardt-dorf factories is now producing 75,000 pairs of socks weekly, which are for Soviet Army use and are forwarded to the Schlesischer Bahnhof, Berlin.
11. The central textile office (transit and control) for all textiles produced in Land Saxony is located in the offices of the Diamant Werke, Hartmann u. Co., Chemnitz. The office has over 1,000 employees on its books.

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